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MAYOR EMANUEL ANNOUNCES APPOINTMENTS TO CITY OF CHICAGO BOARD OF ETHICS

Among other appointments and reappointments made today, Mayor Rahm Emanuel today announced today the appointment of William Conlon and the reappointment of Stephen Beard to the Chicago Board of Ethics.

"Throughout their careers, these individuals have demonstrated an unwavering commitment to serving communities across Chicago," said Mayor Emanuel. "My administration is committed to providing residents in every neighborhood with the highest quality of programs and services, which is why I have tapped these appointees to help the City achieve its goals."

Conlon replaces Russ Carlson, who is stepping down from the Board after serving for four years. Upon passage by the City Council, Conlon will be designated the new Board Chair, replacing Stephen Beard, who is remaining on the Board but stepping down as Chair.

Conlon, a senior counsel at Sidley Austin, L.L.P, most recently served as a member of the Chicago Police Board from 2011-2016. Conlon has previously served as Chair of the State Board of Ethics, Chair of the Illinois Judicial Inquiry Board and has worked as an Assistant United States Attorney in Chicago.

The Board of Ethics administers, interprets and enforces the Governmental Ethics Ordinance. The Ordinance establishes conflict of interest standards for City employees, officials, lobbyists, contractors, candidates for elected City office, campaign contributors and others who interact with City governmental personnel.

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